WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound of the following formula or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:

$$R_3$$
 R_5
 R_1
 R_2
 R_4

wherein R_1 is H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, $C(O)OR_6$ or $C(O)R_6$; R_2 is H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, $C(O)OR_6$ or $C(O)R_6$; R_3 is H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl; R_4 is H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl; R_5 is OR_7 , alkyl- OR_7 or heteroalkyl- OR_7 ; R_6 is alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl; R_7 is NO_2 , $C(O)R_6$, C(O)alkyl- ONO_2 or C(O)heteroalkyl- ONO_2 .